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CAPE TOWN FOR EMBASSY

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: UNSC, PORG, SF  
SUBJECT: SOUTH AFRICA ARMS EMBARGO WATCHDOG COMMITTEE

REF: USUN 686

1. ARMS EMBARGO COMMITTEE MET FEB 28 TO ELECT BISHARA OF  
KUWAIT CHAIRMAN AND GABON AND BOLIVIA VICE-CHAIRMEN. PER  
PREARRANGEMENT REFTEL, BISHARA THEN GAVELLED MEETING  
ADJOURNED. HE WILL NOW CONSULT INDIVIDUALLY WITH MEMBERS  
ON COMMITTEE PROCEDURES BEFORE FIRST SUBSTANTIVE MEETING  
IS SCHEDULED.

2. FOLLOWING MEETING, BISHARA TOLD MISSOFF THAT HE WOULD  
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BEGIN CONSULTATIONS AT ONCE, STARTING WITH AFRICAN  
MEMBERS. HE ASKED FOR SUGGESTIONS ON HOW TO DEAL WITH  
PROBLEM OF COMMITTEE PROCEDURES.

3. MISOFF (GRAHAM) SUGGESTED THAT BISHARA CONSIDER ADOPTING PROCEDURES IDENTICAL TO THOSE OF SANCTIONS COMMITTEE AND SAID WESTERN FIVE WOULD PRESS FOR THIS ARRANGEMENT. MISOFF GUESSED BISHARA WOULD HEAR OPPOSING VIEWS FROM AFRICANS, WITH USSR SOMEWHERE IN BETWEEN. BISHARA LISTENED, BUT DID NOT COMMIT HIMSELF EITHER WAY.

4. BISHARA THEN SAID ONE OF HIS MAJOR CONCERNS WAS FINDING ADEQUATE SOURCES OF INFORMATION FOR NEW COMMITTEE. HE INDICATED THAT, IN HIS OFFICIAL CONSULTATIONS WITH MAJOR POWERS, HE WOULD ASK FOR THE ASSISTANCE OF THEIR RESPECTIVE INTELLIGENCE SERVICES -- IN THE SAME WAY BRITISH INTELLIGENCE NOW SERVICES RHODESIA SANCTIONS COMMITTEE.

5. ACTION REQUESTED: DEPARTMENT'S VIEWS ON THE POSSIBLE USE OF AMERICAN INTELLIGENCE SOURCES TO PROVIDE DATA ON POSSIBLE VIOLATIONS TO ARMS EMBARGO COMMITTEE. YOUNG UNQUOTE VANCE

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